द्वारा जारी की गई सूचियों में से ही की जाए।

(ग) क्षेत्रीय रेलवे स्तर पर गठित की गई समितियों की पिछले वर्ष के दौरान एक-एक बैठक हुई। चुनी गई/खरीदी गई पुस्तकों की संख्या के संबंध में सूचना इकट्ठी की जा रही है और सभा पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।

Construction of new metre gauge railway line in the NE States

614. SHRIMATI BIJOY CHAKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a constructon of new metre-gauge railway lines from Assam to neighbouring States was started in 1989—91;

(b) if so, what is its length of railway lines completed so far; and

(c) what is the total expenditure involved in the construction of new railway lines from Assam to neighbouring States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir. Work on these lines was started during the period November, 1980 and September, 1982.

(b) 180.42 kms. including Amguri-Tuli Line expected to be completed in 1991-92.

(c) Rs. 157 crores.

Over-crowding in Delhi-Guwahati-Delhi Trains

615. SHRIMATI BIJOY CHAKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that the reserved compartments, including First Class and AC coaches, in the Delhi-Guwahati and Guwahati-Delhi trains always remain over-crowded due to the entry of short distance passengers even in the night thus causing security risk to bonafide passengers besides causing inconvenience in their journey;

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Some cases of unauthorised entry in reserved coaches have come to notice.

(b) The following steps have been| are taken to prevent entry of unauthorised passengers in reserved coaches:—

(i) Surprise checks and drives are conducted from time to time with the help of Government Railway Police and unauthorised passengers found travelling in reserved coaches are detrained and fined udner the provision of the Railways Act. Wherever the problem of unauthorised entry of passengers in reserved coaches is acute, coordination is established with GRP to enlist their assistance to prevent the same.

(ii) Punishments are imposed on Conductors|Coach Attendants|Travelling Ticket Examiners found responsible for dereliction of duty.

(iii) Legal provision in the new Railway Act, 1989 have been made more stringent inasmuch as a fine upto Rs. 500 has been prescribed as against Rs. 20 in the previous Act.

Study on utilisation of manpower by Railway Board

616. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railway Board has conducted a study on the optimum utilisation of manpower; and

(b) if so, what are the finding in this regard and the action proposed to be taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Among the important findings are that there is a need to do manpower planning to provide the necessary projections and profiles of staff in order to have a rational recruitment and training policy for improving the productivity of staff. The findings also include identification of redundancies due to modernisation and redeployment of surplus staff for new activities and cost control. No final view has been taken.

Committee for the Konkan Railway realignment in Goa

617. SHRI JOHN F. FERNANDES: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have appointed a Committee to reconsider the Konkan Railway realignment in Goa;

(b) if so, what are the names of the Officials of the Committee; and

(c) by when this Committee is likely to submit its findings?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A one man expert committee consisting of Shri M. Menezes, Ex-Chairman, Railway Board has been appointed to go into the matter on 26-10-91.

(c) The committee has been asked to submit the report within 2 months' time.

Railwy Factory at Jamalpur

618. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to modernise the railway factory at Jamalpur in Bihar; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Jamalpur Railway Workshop has already been included in the Railway Works Programme 1989-90 for modernisation. The anticipated cost of the work is Rs. 64.74 crores. The work will commence after the detailed plans and estimates have been finalised.

Bharat Wagon Factory at Muzaffarpur

619. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to upgrade and modernise the Bharat Wagon Factory at Muzaffarpur in Bihar; and

(b) if so, what are the details therof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

Railway Line between Nidubrolu and Nizampatnam in Andhra Pradesh

620. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering any proposal for constructing a new railway line between Ni-